## PATENT APPLICATION

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For: THROUGH WIRING BOARD AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THE SAME

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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant hereby notifies the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office of the documents which are listed on the attached PTO/SB/08 (modified) form and/or listed herein and which the Examiner may deem material to patentability of the claims of the above-identified application.

- JP 2002-373957A, published December 26, 2002 with abstract
  - 2. JP 2002-016212 A, published January 18, 2002 with abstract
- JP 05-029537 A, published February 5, 1993 with abstract

One copy of each of the listed documents is submitted herewith.

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is required.

In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) for

foreign language documents, Applicant encloses herewith copies of a Japanese Office Action

dated October 12, 2010 issued in counterpart applications no. 2008-213177 and no. 2008-213182

application citing such documents together with an English-language version of at least that

portion of the Communication indicating the degree of relevance found by the foreign patent

office. Reference JP 2004-095849 also cited in the attached Japanese Office Action was

previously submitted with an Information Disclosure Statement filed on April 23, 2007.

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